(b) the average daily number of admissions (in-patients) into the Pudukkottai General and Ranee's Hospitals respectively?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) (i) 96.

(ii) 72.

" (b) 129 and 86, respectively."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the figures have proved the overcrowding of these hospitals and, as overcrowding itself is contagious, will the Government be pleased to consider the expansion of these hospitals? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, the Government have recently sanctioned the construction of a tuberculosis ward with 24 beds and, when this is completed, it will meet the demands to a large extent."

Collection of the annual kattubadi from landholders.

* 189 Q.—SRI G. LATCHANNA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that an order has been issued in Board's Proceedings Ms. No. 13 (Settlement of Estates), dated 29th January 1951, by the Commissioner for Settlement of Estates, Board of Revenue, Madras, to the effect that annual kattubadi previously payable in respect of darimila inams should be collected from inamdars or landholders; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) The reasons are contained in the Board's Proceedings itself."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" Sir, is it not possible for the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue to disclose the reasons in this House and will he be pleased to state whether this circular was issued with the consent of the Government? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" What I said was that this has been disposed of in the Board's Proceedings referred to in the question. If the hon. Member puts any question in regard to a specific case, I will answer him."

SRI K. GOVINDA RAO: —" దీని విషయంలో లోగడనేను అడిగిన ప్రశ్నలు మంత్రిగారికి అర్థం కాకపోవడంచేతనో లేక వేరొక కారణం చేతనో వారు నోటీసు అనో, separate question అనో జవాబు చెబుతూ వచ్చారు. కాబట్టివారు ఓపికతోను, సావధానంగాను నాప్రశ్న వినమని సరియైన జవాబు ఇవ్వవలసినదని కోరుచున్నాను.

27th November 1952] [Sri K. Govinda Rao]

" **Estate Abolition Act** ప్రకారం దరిమిలా ఇనాములకు ఇవ్వబడిన **status** ఏమి ? ఈ దరిమిలా ఇనాములలో పట్టాలు రైతుల కిస్తారా ? లేక ఇనాం దార్లకిస్తారా ? ఈ దరిమిలా ఇనాములలో **Rent Reduction Act** అమలు జరుస్తున్నారా ? లేదా ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, darmila inam is an inam given subsequent to the permanent settlement. There are both major and minor inams and in certain inams both the kudivaram and melvaram rights vest in one person and in other cases they vest in different persons. In the case of inams where the rent payable is in excess of the ryotwari assessment it is worked out under the Rent Reduction Act. In other cases kattubadi is collected."

SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR :—" Sir, I am not in a position to understand what this *kattubadi* is. Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state what this *kattubadi* is? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" It is a small rent payable, something like *jodi*."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" Sir, my question was whether it will not be possible for the Hon. Minister for Land Revenue to disclose the reasons mentioned in the Proceedings of the Board and also whether the circular or memorandum that was issued had the consent of the Government? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, I will readily give it to the hon. Member from Sompeta but I do not know why he wants to confuse the other hon. Members, with this Proceedings of the Board."

Export of foodgrains from Visakhapatnam district.

* 190 *Q.*—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether it was brought to the notice of the Government that foodgrains are being exported from Visakhapatnam district, and if so, what steps the Government propose to take to prevent the same in future in view of the fact that Visakhapatnam district is a deficit district?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Under the Revised Food Policy, Visakhapatnam district is placed in zone No. 1, along with Srikakulam and East Godavari districts. There have been no exports of paddy and rice by private trade from this district to any place outside the zone or outside the State. But, it has been reported that there was some export of paddy by private merchants from the district to East Godavari, *within the same zone*, for a short while immediately after decontrol. This movement from a deficit to a surplus district was mainly due to the fact that there was a bumper paddy harvest in Visakhapatnam district during 1951 and consequently large stocks were available in the open market